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INVENTION: METHOD, ARRANGEMENT AND SET OF A PLURALITY OF
ARRANGEMENTS FOR ELIMINATING AT LEAST ONE INCONSISTENCY
IN A DATA BASE COLLECTION CONTAINING A DATABASE AND AT
LEAST ONE COPY DATABASE OF THE DATABASE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents,
Washington D.C. 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

According to 37 C.F.R. '1.97(b)

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. '1.56 and the requirements of 37 C.F.R. '1.98, Applicant respectfully requests that a citation and examination of the references identified on the attached PTO 1449 form be made during the course of examination of the above-identified application for United States Patent.

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- (3) the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits.

REMARKS

The attached PTO 1449 form lists related art references for the above identified application, including those identified in the International Search Report, copy of which is enclosed herewith.

EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE

References AJ and AQ-AS were identified in the International Search Report.

Reference AK is a German patent, but its relevance was adequately discussed in the Specification. Reference AL provides background information—this reference is in English, so no further commentary on its teaching is required. An English language translation of the abstract for reference AK has been provided, and a full translation will be produced upon request of the Examiner.

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